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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
11 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
12 AT TACOMA

13 KRISTOPHER AAGE SWENSON,
14 Plaintiff,
15 v.
16 E.J. LODGE and C. BURKE,
17 Defendants.

Case Nos. C08-5014 thru C08-5044RBL
18 ORDER

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20 THIS MATTER comes on before the above-entitled Court upon plaintiff's Complaints. Plaintiff has
21 filed 31 separate Complaints seeking to bring criminal charges against the Honorable Edward J. Lodge, United
22 States District Judge for the District of Idaho, and various others. The conduct of federal criminal litigation
23 is an executive function within the exclusive prerogative of the United States Attorney General. *United States*
24 *v. General Dynamics Corp.*, 828 F.2d 1356, 1366 (9th Cir. 1987). “[A] citizen lacks a judicially cognizable
25 interest in the prosecution or nonprosecution of another.” *Lind R.S. v. Richard D.*, 410 U.S. 614, 619 (1973).
Therefore, it is well established that private citizens can neither bring a direct criminal action against another
person nor can they petition the federal courts to compel the prosecution of another person. *See Maine v.*
Taylor, 477 U.S. 131, 137 (1986).

These cases are hereby **DISMISSED**.

The Clerk shall send uncertified copies of this order to all counsel of record, and to any party appearing pro se.

Dated this 14th day of October, 2008.

Ronald B. Leighton
RONALD B. LEIGHTON
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE